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## Bonspiel Winners Played Final Saturday Night

Of the four competitions in the annual open house two visiting clubs on first place while the Gleichen rink won two prizes. The Bonspiel was won by the Gleichen rink in a successful effort and was concluded around midnight Saturday night.

There were 43 rinks entered from the surrounding towns and Gleichen. Events were run off smoothly and often a little late in getting started as the dry snow on. Some of the delay due to extra ends having to be played.

W. Blaney and his Gleichen rink won the grand challenge when they defeated Leo Wood's rink in the final game. Blaney's rink which consisted of: W. Blaney, Geo. Burn and W. Pettit also won the Queen's Hotel trophy which is put up as a prize for yearly competition. Rinks getting into the four were: S. Brown who lost to Blaney and Comment of Rockyford losing to L. Wood.

In the Calgary Power competition in the four Melvold defeated C. Brown and L. Pratt lost to M. Brassard. The final game was won by M. Brassard of Calgary when he defeated D. McDougal and Comment of Rockyford losing to L. Wood.

The merchants competition saw G. Soter of Gleichen defeat G. Beaudin of Chilton and Chilton defeat C. Beaudin. The final between Soter and Chilton was won by the latter's rink.

Thus the annual bonspiel came to a close in a blaze of glory and on a bitter cold night—one of the coldest nights of the winter.

The next big event at the curling rink is the Ladies Bonspiel which takes place February 7 to 9.

## CUT-UP POULTRY PROVING POPULAR

With wars and rumors of wars threatening on the international front, here's good news for the housewife on the home front—the disapproved job of "cutting the chicken" is on the way out. With the increasing use of eviscerated and ready-to-cook poultry in Canadian homes and the housewife's chore will soon be struck off the list. Many Canadian consumers have discovered the advantages of buying an attractively dressed whole fowl, a half, a quarter, a leg—and if she likes, she can leave the wings for those who want them. Turkey steaks have caught on and are proving popular on some markets. Because of its better flavor and quality and the elimination of much unpleasant kitchen labor, ready-to-cook chicken and eviscerated poultry is finding increasing favor from coast to coast.

To maintain an optimum of hygiene between production and consumption poultry producers realize that not only must the product be attractively presented, it must have the highest quality and flavor possible. While it is important to produce a bird with good flavor, it is equally important to retain that flavor right up to the time it reaches the consumer's table.

Research work has shown that one of the best ways to achieve this is to avoid "off" flavors and visceral taints by removing the entrails soon after the bird is killed. This of course must be combined with up-to-date and approved processing practices such as are followed in the registered grading station program in Canada, where emphasis is placed on sanitation, efficient processing, cooling and freezing.

When anyone is interested in cutting up costs it is pointed out that in practice at the initial shipping point a considerable saving is made in weight as the eviscerating shrinkage has been estimated to be about 22 to 25 percent. On long hauls this saving in weight has been found to approximate a cent a pound. Considered in terms of millions of pounds shipped in Canada every year it is readily seen that an effect this would have on the whole poultry meat industry. And if this saving in shipping might be passed on to the consumer, then it is conceivable that the present 23 pounds annually consumed per capita might be increased to the benefit of all concerned.

More than 25 million acres were needed to spring wheat in Canada last year.



Is Robinson Family heard over the CBC every Tuesday

## Burn's Night Banquet Was Enjoyable Affair

Last Thursday evening the curlers held their annual Burns Night banquet, program and dance. It was one of the most successful affairs of its kind here for many a year. It was attended by a large crowd—so large that it was necessary to set up tables a second time to accommodate all.

Bob Brown, the toastmaster, had an excellent program which delighted everybody and held interest to the end. All of which goes to show we have a lot of excellent talent here.

The program was as follows:  
O' Canada!  
Harris piped in by Charles Russell and carried by Miss Lisa Brown of Gaster and Miss Jean McLean.

Burns Grace—Rev. Mr. Morrison.  
Toastmaster—God Save The King.  
Bob Brown.

Welcome—Mr. C. Desjardins.  
Scottish song—Mrs. C. Desjardins, accompanied by Mrs. Rippe.

Address—President Ladies Curling Club, Mrs. R. Schmidt.  
Address—President Gaster Curling Club, Mr. Floyd Sammons.

Purple salutation—Charles Russell.  
Violin solo—Elmer Bolinger with Mrs. E. Bolinger on the piano.

Address—Dance MacDonald.  
Scottish song—Mrs. Helen Pettincher.

Highland fling—Miss Lisa Brown accompanied by Charles Russell.  
Violin solo—Art Bremner.

Violin solo—Art Bremner and Elmer Bolinger with Mrs. E. Bolinger on the piano.

Address—James Swanson.  
Community sing song led by Mrs. C. Desjardins.

Address—Harvey Bogie, president of the Canadian Legion.

Address—Rev. Mr. Morrison.  
Address—Mr. Joe Hollisworth.

Auld Lang Syne.  
The dance which followed was well attended and much enjoyed. The music being supplied by Jack Bremner's Old Time Orchestra.

## EFFORT NOT WASTED

No one will dispute the fact that industries in small towns give a measure of stability to the community. They provide employment for boys and girls who have received their education in the district; they support families who, in turn, pay taxes and support local business enterprise.

People of this community, however, cannot sit back and expect industry to spring up on their own accord as if by magic. Nor can they expect governments or outside firms to do what must be done if industries are to be located in our town.

We must be prepared to help ourselves to industries.

We must have enough faith in our community to invest our money here, enough gumption to work for it and enough imagination to see opportunities.

A good example of community effort in developing local industry is the achievement of Alberta, a small town in Manitoba. There, through co-operative effort, has been established a valuable oil refinery which last year produced oil and other products valued at well over a million dollars. This oil is used in margarine and shortening and in cooking and related oil-baking is now being marketed.

## Civil Defence Warns Danger Atomic Attack

This is the second of a series of articles on taking cover from bombs.

An efficient air raid warning system is being developed although it is hoped its use will never be required. This statement was made by Air Vice-Marshal G. H. Bowman, Provincial Co-ordinator of Civil Defence.

The co-ordinator said that distance alone is no longer adequate protection. He added that Alberta's position on the air path from Russia to the United States makes it imperative for provision of a system of air raid warnings for the protection of every citizen of Alberta.

A. V. M. Bowman said the Dominion government has done a great deal in order to detect arrival of enemy planes in co-operation with the United States. Canada has developed a great radar network stretching across the far horizons of our country.

Mr. Marshall said, "Of course the details of this system are secret and even more secret are methods of detection and reporting. But they are these protecting us now and that's what counts."

Referring to Alberta's role in the raid warning system the provincial co-ordinator said, "The vigilant forest rangers will have their keen eyes trained on the skies to spot enemy planes. Their two-way radios will be in constant communication with the R.C.A.F. control centre. To augment this Alberta has many telephone and telegraph operators stationed in remote areas of the province and they are dependable and efficient."

The Air Marshall said the R.C.A.F. has complete control of all air and warning system for Alberta and that each post is in direct contact with the air force.

"If any enemy aircraft are approaching a district, the R.C.A.F. will give warning which will be relayed immediately to the municipality and the public."

From there the municipality civil defence organization takes over with everyone in the municipality doing the job he has been prepared to perform."

The provincial co-ordinator said the Dominion government hasn't finished a federal warning system. Then he added that in the meantime, each municipality will use the sirens added by sound trucks, whistles or other means, to give the warning. Radio with limited power may be used especially until such time as vital warning equipment becomes available.

There are a few safety rules to follow no matter where you are if an air raid warning is sounded said A.V.M. Bowman.

"First take cover. If you're at home gather your family together including the pets and go to the safest place in your house—your shelter corner."

This safe place is usually on the floor or on a low cot against the outside wall of the basement.

Second—Lie flat on your stomach in the shelter. Bury your head in your arms. Don't look outside right after an attack. Regardless of where you are—in a shelter or outside take this position first on the ground.

Third—Keep your wits about you and keep calm. Any attack on Alberta would probably be intended to spread panic which would cause unnecessary injury. Preparedness and calmness in an emergency would prevent such an occurrence.

The Air Marshall said that all Alberta school children will receive instruction and air raid warning drill at an early date. This will be attended to as quickly as possible, he added.

For those who are in a down-town section when an air raid warning is sounded the provincial co-ordinator had these instructions.

Walk to the nearest building or public shelter. All public buildings will provide shelters in their basements and their staffs will be trained in the procedure they must follow in case of attack. Each city and town will issue instructions in order that passers in busy street cars and in public places to assist the people of Asia shelter.

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## OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY

## ENOUGH ROPE

Joe Had A Bad Reputation.  
People Were Suspicious.

By ROY V. PRICE

THOUSANDS of insects in the black underbrush bordering the road chattered incessantly as Ben Brown's battered old pickup truck creaked along the narrow, rutted clay road.

His eyes missed nothing as he stopped near the lighted front doorway of the small farmhouse. The dust of hard driving over country roads was thick on his worn clothing.

In a low voice, he called, "Joe!" The owner, an old farmer, tall and gaunt, wore a full beard. The other was husky and reddish of complexion and he kept his right hand in the pocket of his suit. But instantly he brushed his hand out of his pocket, saying, "Well, I'll be dogged if it ain't Ben!"

"Right!" Ben Brown said. The truck door squeaked, scuffed shoes hit the dirt and the two men came together, meeting amiably.

"Son of a gun!" Joe laughed. "How'd you know I'd be here tonight?"

"For a man who knows this section well, it was a fair bet you'd be coming by here. All main roads are being watched and I'm the only one who knows that old Pete here is about as only mud around these parts who always liked you."

Old Pete interrupted, "Me in Joe just a. You been to support?"

"More'n two hours ago. I been sitting on the porch they continued to talk. Joe inquired about his sister, Louise. Ben said in his word, saying way, "We've been married

year," and Joe asked, then, "What're you doing way over here this time o' night?"

"The bank in town was robbed to-day by a slick dresser about your build," Ben answered.

Joe reached over and flipped open Ben Brown's coat. He looked briefly at the badge pinned to the shirt.

"You! The best track farmer in the South! He said softly and laughed.

"So could you have been if you hadn't gone to—where, Joe?"

"Mississippi," Joe laughed again.

"Tried farming, but was driven out by a hog who wanted everything for himself. Tried harden I did around here to make a honest living!"

"Things ain't been too easy for me, but I've gone straight."

"You wouldn't be suspicious of me, Ben, now would you?"

"I'm thinking of that bank casher. He got a wife and kids. He's had hurt, might do."

"Would you stop the man who pulled that robbery if he was to come by here tonight?" Joe was grinning.

"I would, because I'd figure he was heading for the Hardy lumber camp where old man Hardy is sleeping alone with tomorrow's pay roll under his bed."

"That old skunk caused me to leave Georgia. I had to leave or I'd get pig and dog stealing I didn't do. He even accused me of stealing lumber from his sawmill."

Joe's mouth twitched. His right hand was again in his pocket, his eyes on Ben Brown's face.

"Yeah, I know. But you've such a reputation around these parts, Joe. People are suspicious."

"The three locked. The tenness stretched out."

Old Pete shifted his bulging to backside from jaw to jaw and said contemptuously as he grunted and wheezed. He laughed uneasily, breaking the silence.

Ben went on studying Joe's eyes, trying to read them.

Ben said slowly: "Louise and me, we've got a little place just beyond the county line, two miles beyond the river's bend. You could miss it. Louise give you some dirt, here?"

"You might need. You could be safe across three states by daylight."

He let that sink in. Then he said: "Or you could follow the road on down to that lumber camp where old man Hardy is asleep with that pay roll."

"Yeah!"

"You didn't have to say that. You know it's the other way around."

"All right. Good luck. Bye, Joe."

"Look up old Gabby in Toledo, Ohio. He'll get you a job."

Joe grinned. "Good old Gabby!" He ran the hundred yards to the barn behind the house.

Old Pete and Ben sat back down on the porch. They heard the purring of the powerful motor as Joe backed his car out of the hay barn where it was well hidden. Then the purring died away as the car sped over the narrow dirt road.

"I was glad to see Joe," Old Pete began. "Ain't seen 'im since he plowed for me years ago. In spite of his reputation, I always did like—"

He stopped up his head.

Muted by distance the sound of gunfire had a petish, grumbling note. It ceased abruptly and the farmer, staring at Ben, asked excitedly: "Which road do you reckon Joe took?"

"The lumber camp road where a posse was waiting."

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## Western Agricultural Meet Elects Officers

CALGARY—Roy Marler of Bremerton, Alta., was re-elected president of the Western Agricultural conference at concluding sessions of the three-day meeting here. Re-elected vice-presidents were C. H. Haring of Blair, Man., W. Ball of Sask., and C. Walls of Vancouver.

Mr. R. B. Gunn of Purcell, Sask., was named to the executive representing the four western provinces. Mrs. H. McLean of Durban, Man., was re-elected western representative on the Canadian farm radio forum.

## Vancouver Wants Home Rule

Vancouver, Canada's third city, wants home rule, but the B.C. government says it can't have it.

ponents in the fight are the Vancouver city council, representing 420,000 people, and R. C. MacDonald, municipal affairs minister, who represents Coquitlam, with a population of 2,500.

Vancouver wants the legislature to enforce a new City Charter. Among other things, this proposed charter would give the city council power to pass bylaws above the courts.

An oyster lags between 16 and 60 million eggs.

## Sees "Dobbin" Being Ousted By Tractor

## Protests Received Against Reduction in Classes For Heavy Horses At Fair

WINNIPEG — Is old faithful "Dobbin" becoming obsolete because of the farm tractor? This question poses a problem for the livestock committee of the Western Canada association of exhibitors at the convention held here.

The committee had received a letter from heavy horse organizations protesting against any reduction in classes for heavy horses at circuit fairs.

"A" fairs, or any reduction in prize money.

The five prairie fairs on circuit "A" are at Brandon, Regina, Saskatoon, Edmonton, and Calgary.

The letter of protest arose through rumors that the tractor is replacing the horse on the farm, and that now there are not enough horses to make a creditable showing at fairs.

Convened delegates decided to face facts as they saw them. Heavy horses, they believed, are on their way out, and whether or not classes are reduced for them, at present there would be few heavy horses shown anyway.

The changing trend, they said, obviously indicates tractors are showing aside the old gray mare that "ain't what she used to be."

Unbowed the committee passed this resolution: the exhibition association should consider the revision of the heavy horse section of prize lists with a view to bringing the total prize money to the level of the stock more closely into conformity with their respective places of importance in agriculture.

CANADA OPENS TRAVEL BUREAU IN NEW YORK

TORONTO—Canada's first travel bureau in New York was opened Feb. 8. Federal Travel Chief Leo Dolan announced.

YOUNG EDITOR

PRINCE ALBERT, Sask. — Appointment of R. A. (Bob) Lewis as news editor was announced by Burton Lewis, editor of the Prince Albert Herald.

Mr. Roy, 20, is one of the youngest persons in Canada to hold such a position.

## WESTERN BRIEFS

## Poultry Tattooing Urged

SASKATOON.—Tattooing of poultry as a safeguard against theft was suggested at the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Poultry Association.

Prof. W. J. R. of the University of Saskatchewan's poultry department said tattooing should be on the web or wimper of the foot.

## Greatest in History

CALGARY.—Oil production from Alberta wells in November, 1950, was the greatest in the province's history, the Petroleum and Natural Gas Conservation Board reported.

## Big Arena

LETHBRIDGE.—City official claim Lethbridge's new civic ice centre has the largest area of artificial ice under one roof in Canada.

The skating rink and 10 curling sheets total 55,424 square feet of ice.

## Record Loads

SASKATOON.—The city engineering department closed up a record when they moved 364 truckloads of snow in one day from Saskatoon's streets after a recent snowfall.

## Big Wind

MOOSEHORN, Man. — The wind here was so strong that a section gang's jigger was carried away along the tracks. A C.N.R. railway gang caught the machine after an eight-mile chase by motorists.

## Livestock Thieves

EASTERN, Sask.—Livestock in the southwest corner of Saskatchewan have enjoyed one of the best winters on record, Hugh Robinson, agricultural representative, reported.

Mr. Robinson said that only a small amount of snow, and mild weather had made it possible for stock in his territory to graze out practically all the time so far this season.

## Mumps Hit B.C. Town

PRINCE GEORGE, B.C.—An outbreak of mumps has stricken this northern British Columbia town of 2,000. Over 300 cases were being treated at one time.

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## First Aid For Frostbite

1—Never rub frostbitten part nor expose it to artificial heat. Applying snow adds to injury.

2—Warm it slowly by covering it with hand, or with cloths wrung out of water—cool at first, then gradually warmer.

3—Warm frostbitten hand under armpit, or between the thighs.

4—Enter heated room only after normal color and circulation are restored. With average skin, 1st degree frostbite is dark red; 2nd degree, bright red or blue, and 3rd degree, grayish white.

Always exercise effects of frostbite by proper care. See doctor in severe cases.

## Says Shelter-Belt Best Protection

Caragana, Willow And Other Broad-leaved Trees Recommended

WINNIPEG, Man. — W. R. Leslie, superintendent of Morden experimental station, told Stanley Agricultural society that "a good shelter-belt around a farmstead is as good as moving the farmstead 300 miles farther south."

He said a good shelter-belt retards wind velocity for a distance equal to at least twice its height on the windward side and up to 20 times its height on the leeward side.

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## OBITUARY

### MRS. FLORENCE A. PRESTWICK

Mrs. Florence Adelaide, aged 78, died in Calgary on Saturday. Mrs. Prestwick was a resident of Gleichen for many years coming here before 1900. With her husband and family lived on the farm now owned by E. Johnson. During the First World War she took a very active part in Red Cross work and was a member of St. Andrew's Church. Some 20 or more years ago she moved to Olds where she has resided since. The funeral takes place in Olds today.

### JOSEPH DUGGIN

Joseph Duggin aged 91 years and 11 months died at Eventide Home on January 25th. He was born in Kentucky and had spent 45 years farming

25 of them being spent in Alberta. He retired in 1936. The funeral took place Tuesday afternoon at 1.45 when services were held in the auditorium of Eventide Home. Among those present were relatives from Langdon. Interment was made in Eventide cemetery.

The annual meeting of the Board of Trade will be held on February 8th. A banquet will be served at 7 p.m. and this will be followed by the annual meeting and election of officers. Calgary speakers have been engaged to address the meeting.

Last Thursday evening the Crowfoot Transport truck was robbed of meat butter and chocolate bars to the extent of about \$60. Since that time the police have found some of the goods.

Telephones in Canada carry an average of 1,700 conversations each year.

## HERE AND THERE

Born to Mr. and Mrs. C. Kileup a boy Jan. 29th.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Varnell, January 28 a son.

John Barling and family have arrived from Sweden to visit his brother Dr. Harding.

John Rodominsky has been spending the past few days in town visiting his mother. He is now located in the Peace River district.

Les Woods went to Olds during the weekend. While in that town he will attend to the wants of the Society of Elbow Benders.

Last Friday was one of the most miserable days of the winter. It was cold and the wind blew a gale. It literally blew it to heat out the house.

Miss Jean Kidd spent the weekend in town visiting Mrs. H. James. She was for some years on the staff of the Blackfoot Indian hospital. For some months past she has been at her home in Saskatchewan visiting her mother who has been ill. Today she is leaving for California for a holiday.

A chimney fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fontaine was the cause of some excitement Saturday afternoon. By the time the fire brigade arrived the fire had been extinguished with very little if any damage to the house. This house is known as the "Plante residence."

Johnny Guthrie is recovering from an operation on his leg in a hospital. He has been there for some time. It will be remembered he was severely wounded in the leg in France during the war.

J. Kalky of Calgary recently purchased Gleichen Motors and residence from Mrs. P. Dehayes. Mr. Kalky has been appointed dealer for Chrysler, Oldsmobile and Chevrolet cars for Gleichen by General Motors. He has had over 20 years experience in the motor car business and will be a welcome addition to the business houses in town.

Raymond Cunningham is a's latest candidate to be taken ill with the mumps.

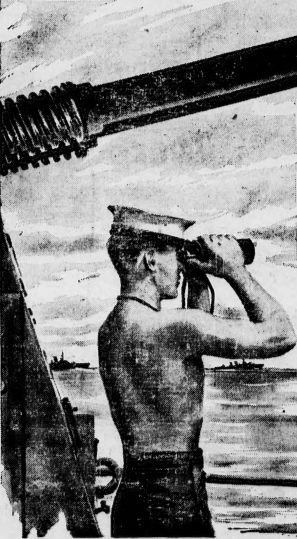
Miss Pettinger, nee Miss H. Kelly, was in town for several days last week to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. Kelly. Mrs. Pettinger now makes her home in Saskatchewan.

Wm. Schmidt, N. Anderson, C. Schmidt and Elmer Bolinger left Saturday for Las Vegas, Nevada, to shoot in that city's gun club competitions. They figure that it is about 1500 miles to Las Vegas and expected to arrive there Tuesday. The shoot starts on Thursday morning. All of these men are crack shots with the shot gun and they should bring back some prizes and here's hoping they do so.

All women of the Gleichen and surrounding district are cordially invited to join with the women all over the world in "The World's Day of Prayer" which will be held in the Gleichen United Church Friday afternoon, February 9th. Last year with the first time the "World's Day of Prayer" was observed in Gleichen and was held in St. Andrew's Anglican Church with a good attendance. The guest speaker will be Miss Lisebeth Robertson of Calgary. Women from different Christian Churches and Christian organizations will take part in this service. Program is sent out by Women's Inter-Church Council of Canada.

"Sound advice though it certainly is in urging Canadian workers to higher productivity he leader of Canada's Socialists may find himself accused by his followers of having taken an axe to a main plank in the socialist party platform," stated J. Rutledge, chairman of the Canadian Union of Council. He was commenting on a speech of M. J. Goldwell in which the CCF leader urged that higher production could help reduce the cost of goods and combat inflation, and at the same time increase Canada's capacity to assist the people of Asia and other continents. Socialist doctrine has always argued, quite illogically, that higher living standards could be had not by more work and more production but by some magical method of redistribution of the wealth we have," Mr. Rutledge said. "While the socialist doctrine has at last to have recognized the fallacy of this argument, his new policy is not without its socialist absurdities. For one thing, in addition to higher productivity as a means of lowering prices, Mr. Goldwell urges increased corporation taxes, and any tax on business must eventually be paid for by the consumer through higher prices on consumer goods."

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